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### 'Meat's safe,' say officials

Heather King Navarrete Rota Coastline

Amid more mad cow citings in Spain, and a foot-and-mouth disease outbreak in the United Kingdom that has imposed a one-week ban on the transport of livestock between European Union countries, Spanish officials maintain that meat bought on the economy is still safe to

Meat is now safer to eat than ever, due to the battery of testing the meat undergoes, said Elvira Delgado, spokesperson for the Agricultural Council of Andalucia. Every piece



dergoes a regimented set of testing, both at the slaughter house and a the distribution plant she said. Out of the 33 cows identified with Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy, none

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## 625th AMSS, 725th AMS

The 625 Air Mobility Support Squadron, Rota, Spain, is getting a new look. On March 15, all personnel are required to change their uniforms, office supplies, and other accessories of their new title as the 725 Air Mobility Squadron.

The Squadron falls under the 621 Air Mobility Support, Ramstein, Germany. However there is also a 621 Air Mobility Operations group, Maguire Air Force



Base, New Jersey. With both commands having the same name structure the group's headquarters renamed itself the 721 Air Mobility Operations Group. Along with this change, everyone that

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# new retention tool seen by leaders as good for Sailors, administrative burden

Heather King Navarrete Rota Coastline

Three separate briefings were held last week to educate base leadership and administrative personnel on one of the service's newest retention tools - ITEMPO.

The program, implemented in Fiscal Year 01 by congressional legislation, is intended to track and monitor a military member's Individual Tempo. the operational tempo of each military personnel, whether on

shore duty or sea duty. Each command must document each day a member is deploved throughout the year for events other than schooling, watch-standing, hospitalization, or disciplinary action. For military members to exceed 182 days of deployment out of the year, approval must be granted by a flag officer. At the 220-day 'gateway,' permission must be granted by a more senior officer. A stipend of \$100 a day must

be paid to members exceeding 400 deployment days consecutive or non-consecutive - out of a 730-day cycle.

At the on-set of the administrative briefing, Cmdr. Jeri Busch, the program's policy manager, spoke frankly with her audience

"The ITEMPO system came with no money, no people, and you had to absorb another administrative burden," she said. "We feel your pain, and we feel your bur-

Busch understands the words she speaks. As the head of pay and allowances for the military compensation office, Busch has been pulled away from her desk job to moonlight as the program's policy man-

"Troops are complaining about how much time Sailors are spending away from home," she said. "It's always

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Amy Monteiro, SAVI coordinator, Fleet and Family Support Center, and ADC(AW) Jose Monteiro, VQ-2, talk about the Cape Verde Islands during an FFSC brown bag seminar, Feb. 28. In attendance was a 35- member Seabee detachment from NMCB-40 who will participate in the West African Training Cruise in May. The Seabees will build an orphanage in the Cape Verde islands in coordination with Cape Verde military forces. With their high deployment rates, Seabees will be part of the group most affected by ITEMPO policies.

# Bryant voices strategies, hope is not one of them

Heather King Navarrete

After spending two days here in Rota to see how CINCUSNAVEUR policies are actually affecting Sailors, Rear Adm. Stanley Bryant, Deputy Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Naval Forces

Europe, stopped to talk to the Coastline about strategies pertaining to duty classifications, manning levels and budgets, to name a few. Although his ideas and opinions varied according to topic, a common theme was woven throughout the interview: Hope is not a strategy.

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Rear Adm Stanley Brvant, Deputy Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Naval Forces, Europe

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# RADM Q&A

Q: With the Top to Bottom Review underway, how do you see this affecting Rota's

A: I don't think that in the near to mid-term or even the long-term that Rota will be affected much by the Top to Bottom Review. We're still going to need our forward presence throughout. This is one of the gems of the forward stations that I don't think we can do without from a U.S. national perspective. not just from the Navy. But everyone is aware of all the Air Mobility enhancements going in, so this is not just a Navy asset, it's a national asset, especially as a throughput to the Southwest Asia. It's really invaluable. I think the service is a great idea. It comes at the same time as we're doing the Quadrennial Defense Review and all of those things are important and necessary to determine whether our national military strategy and our armed forces are going down the same roads so that the force structure we have and the things we are planning really are going to support the national military strategy and the national security strategy. ... I don't think any service is going to determine that we don't want to be forward, that we don't want to be globally deployed. It could change frequency, it could change numbers, but we'll still need to be forward. This is one of those places where we'll need to do that.

Q: And in the rest of Europe?

A: I think the same thing applies in the rest of Europe. The Navy has decked-down a lot more than some of the other services in Europe. I think we're at the point where the major base we have here, and they are that, are the critical ones.

Q: A few years ago, Rota was classified as 'Neutral Duty,' and now overseas billets are

classified as 'Shore Duty'. Can you tell us what, if anything is being done in the area of overseas classifications? A: The reason for implementing Sea Duty and Type III Duty was to get manning up to where we wanted it. We had trouble manning these bases in the late 80s when Adm. Mike Borda was here. And his solution to that was to give Neutral Duty, or Type III

Duty, to the people coming over here, to enhance the prospect of coming over. And, it worked. It was wonderful. But, in a lot of ways, that creates other problems. The CNO is dedicated, I think, to making it Sea Duty for sea-going units, and Shore Duty for all others. In doing that, it's going to take a number of years to keep faith with the Sailors and Marines that were under Type III or Neutral Duty and to bring that back down to a Sea Duty/Shore Duty type of a system. So, its going to take a while to do that. If you do it correctly and avoid second or third-order consequences of that, like retention going down, or having trouble manning the billets overseas. So, Type III Duty, I think, is next. We talk not a lot about whether we're going to do away with Type III Duty. But [we talk about] if we do it, how will we do it so that we keep them as places where people will want to go. I think we'll have to look for other incentives, and the Fleet Master Chief and some other folks, like the Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy, has sat down and made a list of things, through traveling throughout the theatre and asking people what they think would be good incentives for people travelling throughout the Navy and they range from Cost of Living Al-



Rear Adm. Bryant and CINCUSNAVEUR Fleet Master Chief Petty Officer Robert Hallstein answer questions, Friday,

lowances to educational benefits... The CNO does have a great philosophy and that is when I was thinking of doing away with Type III and then hoping that we get the other incentives, he has said more than once that hope is not a strategy. We have to have a firm strategy in place.

O: Are you concerned about manning here?

A: I'm concerned about manning everywhere. Quite frankly, right now, Rota has pretty good manning but those things change, and I was also talking to the Skipper, Capt. Noble, about the fact that retention here has always been very good. I think we're both of the opinion in retention that we'll see a drop here with people leaving here and not going shore duty, but looking at sea duty. To some, unfortunately, that's not a good prospect. Personally, I'd like to see us doing away with Type III Duty, initially, maybe as a first phase, and do away with Type III Duty for first termers, and then maybe have them do two years overseas and two years at sea, so that we spread the wealth, and get some of those folks who spend their entire first duty on Sea Duty, but also give everybody an opportunity - and I sincerely mean this as an opportunity - to see what it's like at sea. That is after all, the ultimate thing that we do, and I think as much as possible, all of our enlisted Sailors should see what Sea Duty is like.

O: Why do you think manning is so high here? Is it because the mission is so important, or is it because Rota is just a good place to be?

A: Well, both. One thing feeds the other. I mean, Quality of Life (QOL) and Quality of Service (QOS) is extremely important, but part of QOS is that people come here and look at their jobs and say, "This is worth doing. I feel good about doing this. This is a profession that makes me feel good and when I get up in the morning and go to bed at night, I feel like I've done something worth while." So, a piece of it is the mission and a piece of it is the OOL, which part of the OOS.

Q: With the recent budget cuts and rumors that next year's budget will only get worse, what is actually being done?

A: We are probably not going to get an increase in our top-line, so we need to look for efficiencies within our total Navy budget. What the CNO would like to see, and he's said this many times, is that we look for places other than the Operating Forces to get our efficiencies. The Operating Forces - being the two fleets, the CINCLANTFLT and the CINCPACFLThave only about 10 of our \$80+ billion of our budget. And, the Systems commands another five billion, so there's about another 67 or so billion dollars out there that we don't traditionally look for in efficiencies, for some odd reason. I look toward the top Navy leadership looking for efficiencies in places other than the Operating Forces and have the ability to operate here under the budgets we have

O: But the community here will still feel

A: No. I don't think so. I think Adm Clark's mission is to look for efficiencies in other places so we won't have to make the community here feel future budget cuts, I really do. And its not strategy, but I'm hopeful that it will happen

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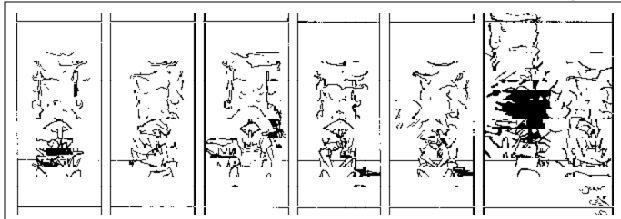
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# DGF HS holds College Day Fair

Maria Davis, Virginia Tech alumni, recruits DGF H.S. students at their College Day Fair, March 2. More than 45 colleges were in the fair in an effort to bring stateside colleges to overseas students. More than 150 students turned out.

# Service learning project now in DGF High School

JO2 Ricky Allen Rota Coastline

For more than two years, DGF High School has pursued the idea of service learning, and after much persis tence, the school now offers a service-learning program.

The program is designed to give students in grades 9-12 the opportunity to learn life skills and engage in service activities that contribute to the community.

The new program is also now part of the Department of Defense Education graduation requirements. Students in grades 9-12 must complete a minimum of 20 hours of service learning credit for each year they are enrolled in a DoDDS School. Students who will graduate from DoDDS in the school year

2001-02 are also required to complete service learning projects.

"DoDDS took the idea of community service and attached it to the school curriculum. However, they wanted to do it differently. They spent some time looking at how they could connect it to subject areas," said Elaine Hermann, guidance counselor, DGF High School.

According to Hermann, ninth graders will do their service during their social studies class, while tenth graders will work during their English class. Eleventh graders will complete their community service during their science class, while high school seniors pick the class of their choice to complete their community work.

"This will help the kids feel needed, if they realize that they can do something meaningful. This will hopefully help some, if not all the students feel better about themselves," said Hermann. "This is also important for students, because many of the colleges now are asking students if they have contributed to their community in any kind of service."

The student's community involvement could determine whether the college will accept them or not, providing another reason why the service learning program is important, Hermann said.

Service learning credit will also be given to all students who give to the community through other organizations and clubs. According to the DoDDS service learning program guide, organizations such as JROTC, FBLA, the base chapel or any other

church organization, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, National Honor Society, and the Red Cross, are some examples of organizations that students can participate in to complete their service learning requirements.

Kenneth Hudson, a parent who has two children participating in the program, hopes his children will get more from service learning than simply gaining the necessary credit to graduate.

"This will help the kids work together. They will learn how to plan, check to make sure the plan will work, and carry out the plan. I think this will also teach them several life skills. In my opinion, this is good for them," Hudson said.

# SPANISH NEWS

# Labor showdown looms

Spain's trade unions are calling for a general strike in response to an emergency decree on employment law.

The government pushed through the decree on Friday after failing to reach agreement with the main unions and employers. The decree includes a number of measures affecting contracts and dismissal which the government says are essential for job creation.

The move comes after eight months of painstaking negotiations with unions and employers, which broke down bitterly and without agreement last week. Taking advantage of its massive majority in parliament, the conservative government of Prime Minister Jose Maria Aznar has succeeded in imposing its will, issuing a special decree which will affect the lives of millions of Spanish workers.

The decree will make it cheaper to sack employees. Employers will have to pay 33 days redundancy per year worked. It will make it easier for employers to issue partime contracts and it will increase the number of fixed-term contracts.

#### Strikes common

This is crunch-point for industrial relations in Spain after years of tranquility, labor unrest is beginning to make itself felt. Regular one-day strikes by public sector workers have at times brought the civil service to a standstill.

In construction, more than one-million workers joined a strike on Friday over the high rate of accidents and deaths on building sites.

In response to the government's latest initiative, the main unions have repeated their call for a general strike before the summer. If it happens, it will be the first since the late 1980s.

The Government argues that the measures are essential for job creation.

In the last few decades, Spain has created more jobs than any other country in Europe.

But the unions say quality of life is suffering and contracts are increasingly insecure and short-term.

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# NEWS BRIEFS

# AFN television outages expected

Viewers and listeners of the American Forces Network (AFN), on and off base, may experience brief programming interruptions on radio and television until March 13, as the spring "sun outage" period occurs.

These seasonal outages, which take place each spring and fall, affect all satellite communications, including the AFN radio and television services distributed by the Armed Forces Radio and Television Service (AFRTS).

These programming interruptions are characterized by a complete loss of signal for as much as several minutes. They occur when the sun's position aligns with broadcast satellites and Earth station receivers. The sun's radiation overpowers the broadcast signal causing this disruption of service.

The effect of sun outages on satellite programming received at the AFRTS Broadcast Center at March AFB, California, will be minimal because alternate satellite feeds can be used in the event of a sun outage. However, the AFRTS satellite signals distributed to regional and local AFN affiliates, such as Rota, may experience more significant outages due to their reliance on the single AFRTS satellite feed. For more information call Na-

# DFAS pay information now online

Story by JO2 Ricky Allen

The Defense Finance and Accounting Service recently sent letters to all military members with a password enclosed. That password is for a new online program called Employee/ Member Self Service. The program allows members to check various parts of their finance record without leaving their desk or home.

The service allows active duty and reserve duty members to acquire pay information via the Internet, or interactive voice response technology. Members are now able to start or change direct deposits, and change routing transit numbers to their accounts. Future features include the ability to change and create allotments and acquire leave and earnings statements online.

"The service helps those who may not be able to leave at lunchtime to take care of personal matters, or may not have the time at all," said PN1(AW)Thomas Devick, Personal Support Detachment, Rota.

an alternative to sending a hard copy of forms and applications to finance and administrative offices and to providing up-to-date information on leave and earning statements. The service should reduce the number of visits to PSD for many services, said IT1(SW) Clarence Miller, PSD, Rota.

"This is great. This beats running to PSD all the time to take care of business. People can now sit at their desk, whether at home, or at work, and can get the information they need over the Internet," he said. "However, for those who may not be computer literate, or may be nervous about handling personal business over the Internet, PSD is always here for their service."

Service members are now receiving their DFAS passwords in the mail. Personnel who haven't received their passwords by the end of the month should call 1-800-390-2348, or DSN 580-5122 between 7 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. (EST) Monday through Friday.

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### **MILITARY NEWS**

#### Budget changes possible

President Bush may still amend the fiscal 2002 defense budget, but he wants to "engage the brains before the taxpayers' pocketbooks," Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld said in a March 1 Pentagon press briefing.

The president submitted a budget with increases in defense spending until several parts of an overall review are completed and analyzed, Rumsfeld said.

He disagreed with critics who've said Bush is breaking a campaign promise to strengthen the military.

"It is the president's budget. ... He preferred to follow through on things he mentioned during the campaign that he believed needed to be looked at," Rumsfeld said. "It seems to me a perfectly responsible thing to do." The secretary mentioned several ongoing aspects being reviewed, including acquisition reform quality of life issues, defense strategy and DoD's intelligence structure.

#### YMCA Essay Contest announced

Entry deadline is April 9 for the Armed Services YMCA's annual essay contest to promote reading among children and teens of active, Reserve, Guard and retired service members and DoD civilian employees.

Co-sponsored by the U.S. Naval Institute, the essay contest is in its fifth year. Winners receive U.S. Savings Bonds ranging in value from \$100 to \$1,000.

One \$500 first place and one \$100 second place bond will be awarded in categories pre-school and kindergarten, first and second grade, third and fourth grade, fifth and sixth grade, and seventh and eighth grade. High school students can win a \$1,000 bond for first place and a \$500 bond for second place. In addition, there are four \$100 bonds for essays of honorable mentions.

Entrants in grades eight and below should submit essays of 300 words or less. Beginning writers may have their parents write their words for them. High school students should write essays of 500 words or less.

Mailed entries must be postmarked no later than April 9 to be eligible. Send them to: Armed Services YMCA, Attn: Essay Contest, 6225 Brandon Ave., Suite 215 Springfield, VA 22150. For additional information, visit http://www.asymca.org, send an e-mail to essaycontest@asymca.org, or call (703) 866-1260, ext. 16.

#### SMART now available back to 1976

Sailors who retired or separated from the Navy, back to 1976, can now get a copy of their Sailor/Marine American Council of Education Registry Transcript (SMART). Approximately 700,000 records have been added to the database to allow former Sailors to acquire their SMART.

Individuals interested in obtaining a copy of their SMART may log on the NCP web site at http://www.navycollege.navy.mil, or call the Navy College Center from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m., Central Time, seven days a week at (877) 253-7122

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Rachel Albrecht, Marlena Short and Amanda Lillibridge of Cadette Girl Scout Troop 14, Rota rapped a presentation, Feb. 17, during "Stampeding Stuttgart," a weekend event where 150 Girl Scouts from all across Europe gathered together in Germany to participate in activities ranging from cake decorating to car maintenance.

# Rota Hospital handles suitability screenings

Have you recently received orders to another overseas assignment or a retour here in sunny Rota, Spain? Maybe you've decided to venture back to sea and get your sea duty out of the way. Did you get married and need to obtain command sponsorship? Regardless of the circumstances the hospital's Suitability Screening Coordinator is here to help.

In order to come here, you and your family should have been screened by your sending command. If you are returning to a CO-NUS duty station you should not need a screening unless it is considered isolated duty. Once you get orders you have 30 days

to complete the Suitability Screening process. Do not wait until the last minute to start, as there may be conditions that require further consideration prior to your transfer.

The first step in screening for overseas, isolated duty and command sponsorship is getting the Part 1 of NAVPERS 1300/16 completed and signed by you, your LPO, LCPO or direct supervisor. If you are looking for the NAVPERS 1300/16, contact your Career Counselor, Personnel/Admin Office or visit BUPERS homepage. Once this is complete call ext. 3481 to schedule your initial screening appointment. For more information, call HM3 Atkinson at ext. 3481.

# Rota unable to cure Leprosy

JO2 Ricky Allen

For the past two years, Leprosy has been a common epidemic in Rota. However, it's not the disease that has spread throughout the Rota community, it's the heavy metal sound of 18-year-old Mark Holocom, 17-year-old Butch Bignell, and 16-year-old Jeff Holocom- the music group known as Leprosy.

The two-year-old group, according to Jeff, the group's drummer, has gone through many changes. From changing the group's name, to changing group members, the three teenagers feel that Leprosy has come a long way, he said.

"Two years ago, me and Butch were hanging out in downtown Rota and were talking about starting a band. We then began practicing, with Mark joining the group a few months later. We've had several group names, but Leprosy seemed to be the favorite. That's how Leprosy started," said Jeff.

From that point, Leprosy's popularity began to spread, from playing in the local town bars such as Guays, Pool Rock, California Bar, and Rock Palace, to playing in base establishments such as Reflections, and the Champions Sports Club. Leprosy has also played in two talent shows at DGF High School. Constant practice and dedication, said Butch, the group's lead singer and guitarist, is what keeps them busy threeforths of the time.

"We have worked very hard to get to this point. The music we play is a lot better than what it was two years ago, and our own talents have increased," he said.

group's inspiration, said Mark, the group's guitarist, comes from popular heavy metal groups such as Black Sabbath, Slayer, and Metallica. Leprosy has not only aroused fans with their 'hard-hitting heavy-metal' style, but has bridged the gap between music and education at DGF, he said.

"We are all part of the school music club. Since we have been playing, a lot of the young kids in the community have picked up an instrumentand are trying to learn how to play," said Butch. The musician and high school student has also taught many young kids how to play the guitar. Butch added that he started out the same way, from

learning how to play the guitar, to singing.

"I am not a singer. I was born with a horrible voice. We were at a point where no one would step up to the microphone. So I said I will do it myself. At first, I couldn't sing and play at the same time, but through practice, I learned," he said.

The group as a whole, said Mark, has matured to a level that everyone can enjoy. Butch added that the Rota community has begun to cope with the widespread sound of Leprosy.

"At first, the Rota community was not very receptive of having a heavy metal band on the base, because heavy metal has such a bad reputation. I think after seeing us perform live, and dealing with us in person, the community has really warmed up to us," he said. "We have made a lot of friends from performing live. By showing the people it's not all bad, they have overcome their fears of the music."

With the group's spreading success in the community, the possibility of a break up is eminent. Mark might leave this sumer, leaving Butch and Jeff to carry on without him.

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### LETTERS

# SAC seeks signatures

You may have seen the article in the March 1 edition of the Coastline about the School Advisory Council's (SAC) protest against DoDDS staffing cuts at our high school. On Saturday, March 10, members of the SAC and concerned volunteers will be located in front of the Video Mart and Commissary. We will be asking for your support by adding your signature to petitions on two related topics:

1) The School Advisory Committee of DGF High School Rota, Spain will recommend through the appropriate chains of command that Driver Education program, as well as other elective courses that may be in jeopardy of being cut, be retained. In addition, we request the reinstatement of teacher slots that have been cut in the previous three years.

2) The School Advisory Committee of DGF High School. Rota, Spain will recommend, through the appropriate chains of command that additional teaching positions be allocated to DGF High School, to support more elective and advanced courses for students.

These signatures will be presented to the Director of DoDEA and the European Director of DoDDS during their uncoming visit to Rota

Michel Schadt SAC member

# R.A.W.L. thanks 625th

R.A.W.L. would like to thank MSgt Hector Batista, SSgt Billy Fly, and Capt Mark Binkowski from the 625th AMSS for the many hours expended in constructing rain shelters on behalf of the Rota Animal Welfare League.

Your participation and effort in providing new animal housing demonstrate your commitment to community service and resulted in much needed renovations. R.A.W.L. thanks you for your spirit of volunteerism, and a job well done! Ellen MacDonald, President, R.A.W. L.

Retractions No power outages are scheduled due to sewer pipe installation. OCSC President is Stephanie Crabb. Booster clubs are charged a fee for food stands at the OCSC bazaar, non-profit groups such as the Red Cross are not.



Artist, Sarah Tolliver explains her work to a customer at the OSCS Art Show OCSC raised over \$700. Proceeds go toward "Charity Baskets for Cancer" to

# ITEMPO

been a retention issue. This is intended to measure it and give us tools to manage it. because if you can measure it, you can manage it."

"The intent of the legislation is that people shouldn't have to get paid," said Busch. "[But], we're an expeditionary force and we deploy for long periods of time.

"For the Navy, this represents a cultural change," she said. "We are used to seagoing units being deployed, but this now has us tracking individuals who are away on shore duty deployments."

Tracking every military member takes manpower. said Busch, but congress has provided no end-strength, which leaves commands tasked with stretching manpower to fulfill legislation.

In a command that has a deployable unit, AGCM (SW) Bill Adamo, command master chief Naval European Meteorology and Oceanography Center is faced with this task.

"The reality of it is that this is going to require a lot of tracking," he said. "It will be someone else's job here, and we weren't given the extra personnel to do that."

But. Adamo agrees with the theory of a program that will force commands to handle deployment schedules more carefully, and offer compensation for those stuck with high deployment rates.

"This is something we need to do and as hard and as painful as it is, we need to do it," he said.

were found in Andulacia.

Although media reports indicate that consumption of beef has dropped by 40% in Spain, a local Rota butcher said his business has begun to pick up in the past month.

"Business isn't as good as it was a year ago," he said, "but it is better than it was last month "

He attributes the better business to waning mad cow hysteria. The European Commission and a panel of experts approved a ban on meat attached to the

backbone of cattle over a year old, last month, in a series of measures to stifle mad cow concerns. And, the Agricultural Council of Andalucia is posting monthly reports on their website for consumers to access.

The recent British outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease has not affected pork sales at the butcher shop. he said, because customers know the disease is prevalent in livestock only, and very rarely affects humans.

The Centers for Disease Control has issued an informative stating that,

The current risk of acquiring [BSE] from eating beef...and beef products produced from cattle in Europe appears to be extremely small -

perhaps fewer than 1 case per 10 billion servings if it exists at all. However, to reduce this possible risk, travelers to Europe may wish to consider either: avoiding such beef and beef products altogether; or selecting beef or beef products, such as solid pieces of muscle meat, versus beef products such as burgers and sausages, that might have a reduced opportunity for contamination with tissues that may harbor the BSE agent. Milk and milk products are not believed to pose any risk for transmitting the BSE agent.

All meat and all meat products sold on base are imported from the U.S. and are USDA certified.

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# RELIGION

# The Right Person, in the Right Place

Friday is the Jewish festival of Purim. It's sort of like a Jewish Carnival where the kids dress up and an ancient story is read. And it's all because of a woman named Esther who was The Right Person, in the Right Place, at the pass by in silence! Right time

whole story -but you can read it in about 30 minutes. Esther was put in a you here at this place, in this time? I very difficult position. Would she remain silent and save herself, or speak for everything. As you read about how up to save her people at the risk of her God used Esther, think about own life?

tive Mordecai sends a critical message: at this time. Do you know what it is? "who knows whether it was not for such a time as this that you have been sent to this place?" In other words: you friend or talk with your chaplain. Life are here, at this place, in this time for a is too precious and too short to let reason. Don't let your purpose in life your purpose pass by in silence!

CHAPLINE by Chaplain Steve Beyer
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I'll let you read the book of Esther I don't have time to tell you the for yourself. And I'll let you answer that question for yourself. Why are firmly believe that there is a reason how God uses you today. There is a At the key point in the story her rela-reason that you are here, in this place,

> If not, then spend some time in prayer and reflection. Talk with a

Worship Schedule					
Mar. 9	7:30 p.m.	Jewish Service			
Mar.10	6 pm.	Roman Catholic Mass			
Mar. 11	9 a.m.	Roman Catholic Mass			
	9 a.m.	Protestant Communion Service			
	10:30 a.m.	CCD at DGF			
	10:30 a.m.	Protestant Contemporary Service			
	Noon	Roman Catholic Mass			
	1:30 p.m.	Gospel Service			
	6 p.m. Protestant Evening Program at DGF				

Listen to Chapline every weekday at 7:15 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. on Hot 102.5 FM!

You can access them on the web by clicking on "Base Chapel" under the resource section on the Naval Station web page, www.rota.navy.mil

### GOOD WORD FOR THE WEEK

Courage is resistance to fear, mastery of fear, not absence of fear. - Mark Twain

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rabbi Panitz will be making his quarterly visit to Rota Mar 12-18. He will be conducting the Jewish Friday night 7:30 p.m. service at the chapel. For more information, call ext. 2161

The Parent Meeting for Catholic 1st Communicants will be held on Mar. 11, from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Parent Connection room at DGF Elementary School.

Catholic Stations of the Cross will be prayed together in the chapel each Friday during Lent Mar. 9,16,23,30, and Apr. 6, at 6 p.m. A soup and sandwich potluck will follow in the chapel hall.

Catholic penance service will be held on Mar. 13, at the chapel, at 6 p.m.

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## FLEET AND FAMILY SUPPORT CENTER

call ext. 3232

#### Friday Structured Playgroups

Friday playgrounds will not meet during the month of March.

#### Parents and Tots playgroup

Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. This playgroup is for parents with children birth to four years old. The children have fun during free play, or unstructured playtime. Parents, while also having fun with their child/children, talk and share ideas with other parents. This playgroup is held every Wednesday in room 1610, DGF School.

#### Interview Skills

March 14, 11a.m.-1:00 p.m. Did you know that most interviews last about 60 minutes? One hour...the most important 60 minutes of your job search process, and you should do everything in your power to see that it goes well. Good preparation shows desire and determination. The more you prepare, the more comfortable and relaxed you will feel with the interview and the greater your chances are of impressing the employer. The class will include mock interview role-plays.

#### Apply for Federal Employment

March 15, 1-3 p.m. Program information: Federal government applications can seem like a maze of forms. An HRO Staffing Specialist will show you the path to effectively completing Resumix, an OF 612, Standard Form 171 and Federal Resume

#### Pre-Natal Support Group

March 19, 4 - 5p.m. Are you expecting a new baby? Attend the parent support group to receive support and encouragement from those who know what you're going through - other expectant parents.

#### TAPS

March 19-21, 8:30-4:30 & March 22, 8:30-noon TAPS is a transitions assistance program seminar for retirees.

#### Men's Developement Group

This open, ongoing, confidential, interactive group for men is for active-duty and civilian/family members, single, married, divorced or separated. This group provides a supportive environment to focus on building effective lifemanagement skills and dealing with a variety of problems in areas such as anger, stress, communication, relationships, and parenting. Facilitated by a professional counselor, this group encourages participants to share experiences, feelings, reactions, and helpful strategies for coping. The goal is to help participants increase self-esteem, develop positive coping and problem-solving skills, and develop healthier and more personally fulfilling relationships. The group meets at the FFSC on Wednesdays at 5 n.m.

#### Women's Developement Group

This open, ongoing, confidential, interactive group is for women. Active duty, civilian, retired, family members, single, married, divorced, widowed, or separated. The group provides a supportive environment to focus on building effective life-management skills, resolving or preventing problems, increasing self-esteem, developing positive coping and problem-solving skills, and developing healthier and more personally fulfilling relationships. Facilitated by a professional counselor, the group meets at the FFSC each Tuesday at 5 p.m. Sign up by calling the FFSC

#### Parent Connection

An open, confidential group for parents seeking strategic ways to deal with their children's misbehavior. The group provides an anonymous supportive environment for sharing and learning to deal with a variety of challenges in parenting. Facilitated by a professional counselor who is also a parent and a grandparent, this group will focus on helping school-aged children and teens. The group meets at the FFSC every Monday at 5 p.m. Sign up by calling the FFSC.

Spring is just around the comer although the state of the weather as I write this makes me have my doubts,

but we can hope! Anyway, the calendar indicates it will soon arrive, so it is time to start getting ready. Time to fix up the terraces, patios and yards. To help with that, the Navy Exchange is having a sale on garden and patio furniture next week at the Home Center. Make sure to stop by and see what there is.

Todojardin is a place where you can find beautiful furniture for the porch, terrace, patio and yard. They are now featuring furniture made of aluminum and artificial fiber that is completely weather resistant. It looks a lot like rattan, but it lasts and stays nice in spite of the elements. Also, the price is not much different. Stop by and have a look. At Todojardin, you can also find tools, seeds and more. They are located on the Fuentebravía Road, just across the intersection from English Centre.

China Town, the Chinese restaurant near the bullring in Puerto, will be closed next week on the 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>. The reason is a wedding! José María, the young man that has been managing the restaurant lately, and Ana will be getting married in Madrid on March 12. Congratulations!

Two weeks ago, the Grupo Europa had a lovely exhibit of china, crystal and flatware at the Hotel Duque de Nájera in Rota. For those of you who had the chance to see it, but didn't purchase anything and are now wishing you had; you can contact Cynthia Mar-

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tin at extension 4963 or by e-mail at <a href="mailto:cynthiamartin@hotmail.com">cynthiamartin@hotmail.com</a>. Also, if you didn't get the chance to see the beautiful things displayed, Cynthia has samples she can show you. Everything is top quality and absolutely exquisite. The china is from Germany, as is the flatware. There is crystal from Czechosłovakia as well as from Germany. If you love beautiful things and like to set a stunning table—don't miss this.

Last week, Captain Noble warned us about the increase of theft from cars while occupied and at a stoplight. As a two-time victim, I can attest to the fact that " they are always watching and alert" even if, unfortunately we are not. After the first experience, I was sure to always put my purs behind the seat, but a phone call, answered by my daughter who I proceeded to drop off and who left my purse on the seat was all that was needed for me to become a victim AGAIN!! What did these young criminals gain? A very nice billfold, a fairly nice purse, a mobile phone and approximately 2.000 pesetas. Not much, but I got a lot of headaches and lost a goodnights sleep.

Next time you visit someplace, let me know what you thought. Let's hear from you! Share with others information about your favorite spots and shops. Contact me at coastpub@retemail.es, by fax at 956-542997 or by phone at 956-542997 or 607-564132.

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# COASTLINE CALENDAR

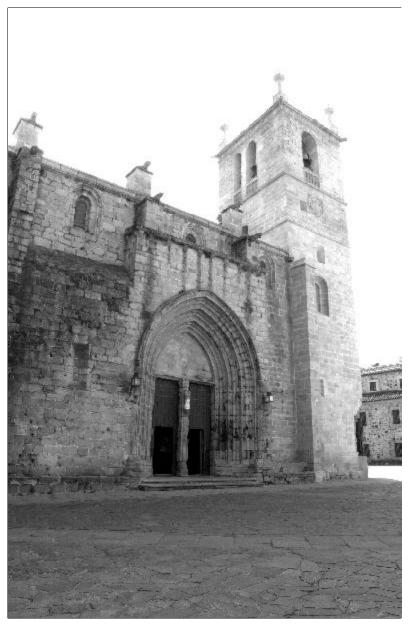
SUNDAY DOMINGO	MONDAY LUNES	TUESDAY MARTES	WEDNESDAY MIÉRCOLES	THURSDAY  JUEVES	FRIDAY VIERNES	SATURDAY SÁBADO
U	CH/MA Women's Histo	RZO	Purim (Jewish Holiday) Separating in Spain, 10 a.mnoon, FFSC, call 3232 Low-fat Cookoff, noon - 1 p.m., Hospital Lobby, call 3337 International (Working) Women's Day	Terra Nova Testing ends for H.S. students  Personal Growth Retreat, call 2161	Hash House Harriers Running, noon, Rota Gate parking lot, call 956-48-2147 Mission 3:16 Praise Band Concert, 7 p.m., Base Theater Personal Growth Retreat, call 2161	
Birth of Naval Security Group (1935) Catholic CCD, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m., DGF, call 2161  Protestant Sunday Night Program, 6 - 8 p.m., DGF, call 2161	CFC Appreciation Ceremony, 10 a.m., Reflections  Capt's Cup Soccer Rosters Due, call 1916	Aqua Group Exercise, 11:30 a.m., MWR Aquatics Center, call 2563 Awards Presentation, noon, Champions RAMIC meets, 1p.m.	Women's History Month Celebration, 9 a.mnoon, Reflections, call 1643  Parents & Tots, 10:30- 12:30 a.m., DGF, Rm. 1610, call 3232  Interview Skills, 11a.m 1 p.m., FFSC, call 3232	Joint Advisory Board (JAB) meeting, 9:15 a.m., Chapel, call 1680 Applying for Federal Employment, 1-3 p.m., FFSC, call 3232 Pre-Natal Support Group, 4-5 p.m., FFSC, call 3232	16 NAVSTA Holiday  Check out the Rota Web Site at http:// www.rota.navy.mil	17 St. Patrick's Day  RGA Golf Tournament, call 2260
18 Catholic CCD, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m., DGF, call 2161 Protestant Sunday Night Program, 6 - 8 p.m., DGF, call 2161	Prenatal Support Group, 4-5 p.m., FFSC, call 3232 Transition Assistance Program Seminar for Retirees begins, FFSC, call 3232	Spring Begins  Aqua Group Exercise, 11:30 a.m., MWR Aquatics Center, call 2563	Parents & Tots, 10:30- 12:30 a.m., DGF, Rm. 1610, call 3232 DGF H.S. SAC, 4 p.m., Library	Transition Assistance Program Seminar for Retirees ends, FFSC, call 3232  Aqua Group Exercise, 11:30 a.m., MWR Aquatics Center, call 2563	23 Seabee Ball,El Puerto., tickets: \$38, call 2343 SECNAV Hunt issues order to create Office of Naval Intelligence (1882)	Check out the Rota Web Site at http:// www.rota.navy.mil
25 Daylight Savings Time Begins, 2 a.m.  Catholic CCD, 10:30 -11:30 a.m., DGF, call 2161  Protestant Sunday Night Program, 6 - 8 p.m., DGF, call 2161	26 Mar. 17 - Apr. 2 is National Sleep Awareness Week	DGF Elem. SAC meeting 3:50 p.m., Parent Connection Room, call 4185 Anger Management 1-3 p.m., FFSC, call 3232	28 Stress Management, 1-3 p.m., DGF, Rm.  Parents & Tots, 10:30- 12:30 a.m., DGF, Rm. 1610, call 3232	Proce Protection/ Disaster Preparedness Drill  Communication & Assertiveness , 1-3 pm., FFSC, call 3232	30 March is National Craft Month	March is National Music in Our Schools Month
April Fools Day  CPO rank established 1948	DT (Dental Technician) rating established (1948)	April is the Month of the Military Child  Aqua Group Exercise, 11:30 a.m., MWR Aquatics Center, call 2563	A  NATOEstablished (1949)  Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon, noon-2 p.m., Reflections, call 3232  PWOC Wed. Bible Study, Chapel, 12:30 p.m., call 2161	Rota First Class Association meets the first Thursday every month, call 2522  Aqua Group Exercise, 11:30 a.m., MWR Aquatics Center, call 2563	6 U.S. Enters WWI(1917)	7 Passover

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# Caceres, the old quarter



The Church of Santa Maria, construction began in the 13th century and it was completed in the 16th.

Story and photos by PH1(AW) Ron Heppner

The old quarter in Caceres is of such cultural importance that the United Nations Education, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) named it a "Heritage of Mankind" site in 1986. For history buffs, this place is a goldmine. Various barbarian tribes, Romans, Moors, Crusaders, and Conquistadors have inhabited the quarter and there is a little remaining from many of the groups.

There is a tourist office in the Plaza Mayor where you can get free maps and information. The old quarter is located behind the Plaza and although you can drive through the narrow alleys, you are better off walking.

I started my walking tour from the hotel, using my expert navigational skills and a map obtained from the hotel. I aimed for the Plaza Mayor. However, I wound up on the other side of the quarter and entered through a construction site in back.

The first place I came to was a Moorish house that was set up like it would have looked hundreds of years ago. The house was complete with a kitchen, living room, bedrooms, a harem room and a Turkish bath. The house also had a hole in the kitchen floor for a water cistern, which is as close as you came to indoor plumbing in those days.

I then ventured into the Plaza San Jorge and the narrow alleys throughout the quarter. I walked around wide-eyed, wondering who walked these same streets before. It is possible that I walked in the footsteps of Roman soldiers or a well-to-do Moorish sultan with his harem. Crusaders and Moors might have battled on these streets. A Conquistador could have strolled along with an Incan princess from the new world. The architecture is a real feast for the eyes.

The cacophony of sounds in the quarter are a feast for your ears as well. The echo effect of the narrow alleys

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provides a perfect venue for street performers. In one alley a boy played guitar while another clapped and sang flamenco. In another corner a man played a bamboo flute. At the church of Santa Maria, an organist pounded out tunes on a massive pipe organ. It sounded kind of spooky and I felt like I stepped into a Vincent Price movie.

There is a museum in one of the squares that contains artifacts from throughout the centuries, including a tile mosaic of Romans on horseback fighting bulls (the origins of bullfighting go back to the Romans).

After wandering around for a few hours, I decided that UNESCO was really on to something.



This cistern provided the luxury of fresh water.



The old quarter attracts aspiring performers, for a few coins these boys sing and play Flamenco all day, to the delight of passers-by.

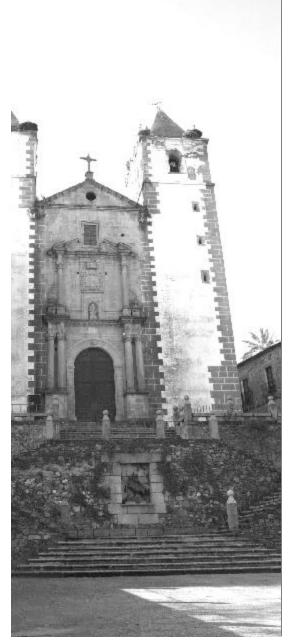


Don Francisco de Vargas Figueroa y Aponte dona

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y Aponte donated his possessions to build the Church of San Francisco



Storks in Extremadura, nest in high places.



San Jorge (Saint George), patron saint of Caceres.



You can take the easy way to the quarter, through the Plaza Mayor, or you can take the way I went.

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## Today

Sculpture Exhibition by Evaristo Belloti (Works 1990-2000). The Cádiz County Council Exhibition, Plaza de España, s/n, Cádiz. Hours: 10 a.m.-2 p.m. and 6-9 p.m. Admisión: free.

Exhibition of Contemporary Artists in Plastic. Centro Cultural La Victoria, Sanlucar.

Hours: Mon-Sat, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. Sun and holidays, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Admisión: Free.

Paintings Exhibition by Enrique Mellado. Café-Pub Blanco y Negro, Ricardo Alcón, El Puerto, through March 29. Hours: 5 p.m. to early in the morning.

Paintings Exbihition by Paco Almengló. Milagros Delicado Art Gallery, C/ Diego Niño 3, El Puerto. Hours: 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. and 6-9 p.m..

Ideas on Paper Exhibition by Concha Muño z and Eva Gómez. Centro Cultural Alfonso X "El Sabio", C/ Larga, 89, El Puerto. Hours: 11 a.m.-2 p.m. and 6-9 p.m. Theater. Group La Cienaga presents "Woyzeck". Centro Cultural La Lechera, Plaza de Argüelles, Cadiz, 9 p.m..

Flamenco. Jerez Festival. Eva "La Hierbabuena" Company will perform at Teatro Villamarta, Plaza Romero Martinez, Jerez, 9 p.m. For tickets and information call 956-329-313.

Movie. "La Caza" of Carlos Saura (Spain). Fundacion Alcalde Z. Ruiz-Mateos, C/ Charco, Rota, 6

#### Friday

Flamenco. Jerez Festival. Jose Antonio, Manolo Sanlucar, Carmen Linares, Maria Gimenez, Joaquin Grilo and Chano Dominguez at Teatro Villamarta, Plaza Romero Martinez, s/n, Jerez, 9 p.m. For information and tickets, 956-32-9313

Concert. Religious Processional Marches by the Music Band of Maestro Tejera at Iglesia Santisima Trinidad, Jerez, 8:30 p.m.

Concert. Spanish Popular singer Pastora Vega will perfom at Teatro Falla, Plaza de Flagela, s/n, Cadiz, 9 p.m. Admission: Different prices. Concert. The rock group "Derrota" will perform at bar "Neptuno" in

## Saturday

Concert at Moron AFB. "Mission 3:16" from Rota together with "Sin Limites" from Puerto de Sta. Maria will perform at the Moron Base Theater at 7 p.m. Admission: free. Concert. The Barroque Orchestra from Sevilla will perform at Teatro Moderno, C/ Nueva, 20, Chiclana, 8:30 p.m.

Flamenco. Jerez Festival. Maria Pages will present the show "Flamenco Republic". Teatro Villamarta. Plaza Romero Martinez, Jerez, 9 p.m. Tickets and information at 956-32-9507.

Musical. Miriam Diaz Aroca will

play "Miriam in Wonderland". The character of Lewis Carrol is directed to the children in an spectacle full of music and color. Teatro Falla, Cadiz, 8 p.m. Admission: Different prices. For information call 956-220834.

**Wood Hobby Shop Certification** Class -- If you have been contemplating creating a wood project of vour own at the MWR Wood Hobby Shop, remember that you must first complete their Wood Hobby Shop Certification Class. The class is conducted every Saturday from 10 - 11 a.m. and by special appointment. Call ext. 2550

today for more information.

ITT Takes You There—This week travel to Arcos Gypsy Market & Historical tour, Cadiz Historical tour, Granada, Medina Sidonia, Tangier Overnight, Tio Pepe Bodega & Jerez Horse Show and Ubrique, Call ext. 3101

# Sunday

Music. Concert by the Municipal band, Alameda del Banco, (behind McDonald's), Jerez, noon.

Flamenco. Jerez Festival. Manuela Vargas Company presents "Andalucia Viva". Teatro Villamarta. Plaza Romero Martinez, Jerez, 9 p.m. Tickets and information at 956-32-9507.

Concert. The Barroque Orchestra from Sevilla will perform at Iglesia de San Miguel, 9 p.m.

Concert. The group "Caida Libre" will perform at bar "Sur copas" in Rota at 8:30 p.m.

### Mond a y

More Than Just Pizza During March, order a pizza and one of the new menu items and there's no delivery charge! Pizza Villa II now offers Beef Lasagna, Garden Salads. Chef Salads and Chicken Fillet Sandwiches. Call ext. 4704 or 4705 for delivery, Monday through Saturday, 5-10 p.m.

# Tuesday

Movie. "La Virgen de los Sicarios" (The Virgin of the paid murdores), of Barbet Schoroeder (Spain, France, Colombia, 2000). The film will be projected in its original version and subtitled in Spanish. Centro Cultural Caja S. Fernando, Plaza de las Marinas, Jerez, 9 p.m. Concert. Fabian Lopez Rodriguez (violin). Palacio de Congresos y Exposiciones de Cadiz, C/ Plocia, 9 p.m. Admission: free.

# Wednesday

chestra of Jerez (music and dance) will perform at Teatro Villamarta, Plaza Romero Martinez, Jerez 9 p.m. Tickets and information at 956-32-9507.

# Thursday

Country Dance Instruction Now you too can join your friends on the floor for some foot-stompin'. knee-slappin' fun. Learn all the moves from Tex every Thursday night from 7-9 p.m. at Champions Sports Club! Call ext. 1995 for more info

#### Carnaval

Sanlucar, 3 - 10 Mar

#### Ongoing

Liberty The single service members' program has planned the following events for March: Pool Tournaments, Puerto restaurant Night & Carnival, Aracena Caves, Spades Tournament, Mountain Bike Adventure, Olvera Castle, Chiclana/Vejer/El Colorado day trip, St. Patrick's Day Party at Expeditions, Ping-Pong Tournament, Team Foosball Tournament. Hipercor/Pizza Hut trip and Karaoke at Reflections. Call ext. 2527 for more details.

Pool Tournament Champions hosts this tournament beginning at 7 p.m. Sign up before 6:30. There is a \$5 entry fee per person. Cash Prize! Call ext 1995 for info

Free Golf Lessons -- at the MWR Golf Course. Tuesdays for the ladies, 11 a.m. until noon and Wed. & Fri. for everyone, noon - 1 p.m. Call ext. 2260 for more info.

Vehicle Disposal Fee Rota beater given up? You can find a home for it at the Auto Used Parts Emporium for only \$30. Call ext. 1530

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# COMMUNITY NEWS and INFORMATION

#### MEETINGS

#### National Night Out 2001

There will be a National Night Out Planning Meeting at the base Security Training Room on March 14 at 10 a.m. Command representatives, sporting events and all personnel interested in volunteering are invited to attend. For more information, contact SM2 Wright or MM1 Melvin at ext. 1573.

#### Tiger Day

The third base wide Tiger Day Meeting will be held at the Galley on Tuesday, Mar. 13, at 2 p.m. The fourth and final Tiger Day base wide meeting will be on Wednesday, Mar. 28 at 2 p.m., and will also be held at the Galley. For more information, call ext.

#### Society of American Military Engineers

The Society of American Military Engineers will be hosting a presentation, "Living and Working in Antarctica: A History", given by Mr. Thomas Learned at Reflections on Thursday, Mar. 15, at noon. Mr. Learned has worked in Antarctica for over 15 years. including "wintering over" on four separate occasions. He is a published photographer and resident expert on Antarctica. If you wish to attend, contact LT Dan Brubaker at ext. 1008. Joint Advisory Board

The JAB meets the third Thursday of each month at the base chapel. Hear from base officials, including COMNAVACTS, CMC, MWR, NEX, PSD, DGF, Supply, Security, NMCRS, NMC, and Housing. Fax your advance questions to ext. 1021 or e-mail: coastline@navsta.rota.navv.mil. Everyone is welcome to attend this open forum meeting to have your questions answered and concerns addressed.

The Retired Americans Military Iberian Council (RAMIC) meets at 1 p.m. Tuesday March 13, on base. All American Military retirees, their wives and widows are invited. Retired liaison officer, Lcdr. Jody Stanley will address the group, as well as Retiree Affairs Officer Douglas Havens. Call 857890 for more information.

#### Hospital Hours

The hospital will be closed for general operations on Friday, Mar. 16, in observance of NAVSTA base holiday. Please plan ahead and schedule all appointments and routine clinic visits around this date. Emergency services will be available as

#### Civil Air Patrol

Officers, senior enlisted members, civilians, and twenty youths, are needed to establish the Civil Air Patrol (CAP) in Rota. Cadets must be at least twelve-years old. Senior members must be at least eighteenvears old, a U.S. citizen, and cannot have had a felony, sex offense, or child abuse conviction, and must have received an honorable discharge. Military service is not required. For more information, call

#### Women's History Month

The theme for National Women's History Month is "Celebrating Women of Courage and Vision." The Human Resources Office is hosting a Continental Breakfast at the Reflections Grand Ballroom on Mar. 14 at 9 a.m. The program consists of twoguest speakers and video presentation, "In Search of History, Mercury 13 - The Secret Astronauts". Cost for breakfast is ing have to RSVP by Mar. 9. For more information contacts LeTrease Meadows at ext. 1643 or Rosina Roldan at ext. 2666.

#### Radiothon Volunteers

The Naval Media Center is looking for volunteers to assist with the Navv-Marine Corps Relief Society Radiothon scheduled for Mar. 20 - 23. Call ext. 1470 for more information.

#### CTT and CMEO Training Course

There will be a CTT and CMEO Instructor Training Course at the NAVSTA NAVLEAD Center, Bldg. 3044 from Apr. 17-20 and Apr. 23-24. This training course is a prerequisite requirement to be a member of Command Training Team and to facilitate Navy Rights and Responsibilities workshop. A service member must be E-6 with at least 24 months time on board Naval Station Rota. Also, top performer E5 service members are highly encouraged to participate in the program. For sign-ups, please contact AKC Limon at ext. 2422 or 2919.

#### **COLA Payments**

If you'd like to find out whether or not you'll receive Cost of Living Allowance (COLA), go to http://www.dtic.mil/ perdiem/ocform.html. Type in the location code for Rota (SP019); for Moron (SP018); and for Madrid (SP017).

#### Gateway Galley

In support of the Navy -wide exam, the

Gateway dining facility is modifying the breakfast meal hours for the following dates: Mar. 13, regular services will be from 6 - 6:30 a.m. and carry out only will be from 6:30 - 8 a.m.; Mar. 20, regular services will be from 6 - 6:30 a.m. and carryout will be from 6:30 -8a.m. For questions, contact MS1 (SW) Fairfield at ext. 1654 or ext. 2032.

#### Tow Way Closed

The Tow Way will be closed at Flor Street March 12-14 for the installation of a new sewer line. Flor Street itself will not be affected, and the Tow Way will remain open from the Flight Line to Camp Mitchell and DRMO, and from Flor Street into the Port Area.

#### Volunteer Opportunities

Navy Marine Corps Relief Society has volunteer opportunities for receptionists, caseworkers, public speaking, thrift shop, etc. Learn some new job skills and make new friends. NMCRS pays for childcare and mileage. For more information, call ext. 1614. The American Red Cross has volunteer opportunities for those interested in becoming Station Chairperson or Records Chairperson. For more information, call ext. 2368 or ext. 4712.

#### Cellular Phone Users

The use of cellular phones while driving within Spain is legal when using a "hands free" talking device. For questions concerning this policy, or for those interested in obtaining a hands free talking device, call ext. 3222.

#### Report a crime

Call Rota Crime-Line at ext 2688

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# COMMUNITY NEWS == INFORMATION

#### Spouse Tuition Aid Program

The Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society office is offering Spouse Tuition Aid Program (STAP) for Term IV. Clients will be seen until March 16. Sign up early. For more information, call ext. 1614, or stop by NMCRS office in Bldg. 52.

# Anniversary Ball

Tickets are now on sale for the 59th Seabee and 134th Civil Engineer Corps Anniversary Ball. The event will be held on Mar. 23 at the Hacienda El Pinar in Puerto de Santa Maria. The cost is \$38. Call Begonia at ext. 2343 for more informa-

#### Tax preparations

All service members, dependents, retired military, and DOD civilians are eligible to receive free tax preparation. call ext. 2758.

# EDUCATION

#### **UMUC** Undergraduate Registration

Registration for Term 4 is, Mar. 12 until Friday, Mar. 23. Schedules are available at the UMUC office in Bldg. 52. Placement tests are recommended for beginning Math and English classes. The placement tests can be taken at UMUC. Call ext. 2917.

#### Graduate Programs with UMUC

Registration: Mar. 12-23. The following courses will be offered during Term 4 for Management Information Systems and Public Administration: INSS540 Info. Management Analysis and Design MGMT571 Human Resource Management. A graduate advisor will be at the UMUC campus on Mar. 20, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Call ext. 2917.

#### Chief George Waller Scholarship

The Ranger (VQ-2) OCSC will be offering two scholarships in the amount of \$500 each. Applications are available in the VQ-2 Administration Office and mailroom. This opportunity is open to dependents of VQ-2 Officers and Enlisted personnel. The application deadline is May 15, 2001. Please send completed applications to Susan McGill: VQ-2 Box 320 Unit 50082, FPO, AE 09645. Call 956-82-4082

#### University of Oklahoma

The University of Oklahoma is now enrolling students for the Semi-

nar in Leadership Organization. Class dates are from Mar. 27 - Apr. 1. For more information about enrollment. Call ext. 2799, or e-mail:

#### NCLC

The Navy College Learning Center offers free, computer-based courses in a variety of academic and practical subjects to active-duty members, retirees, reservists, DoD civilians, and their adult family members. Visit the NCLC office in Bldg. 52, or call ext. 3070.

#### City Colleges of Chicago

Now is the time to apply for a Scholarship Training Education Program (STEP) Scholarship from City Colleges of Chicago. The scholarship covers the tuition costs for a total of five courses. Up to nine STEP scholarships are awarded each year. Contact Navy Campus, or call ext. 2574.

#### Box tops for Education

Keep saving your General Mills "Box Tops for Education" found on cereals and snacks. You can drop them off at the Commissary, Library, DGF Elementary School, JAMS or the CDC. DGF Elementary School benefits from your support. Contact Jeanie Ephron at ext. 4473 for more information.

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# WEEKEND MOVIES

#### FRIDAY, MAR. 9

The Road To Rio - A pair of hapless song and dance men find romance and fun when they stow away on a liner bound for Brazil. One of Bing and Bob's funniest "Road To" pictures. Starring Bob Hope, Bing Crosby, and Dorothy Lamour. (120 min, Comedy, 1947, TV-G) AFN 1:05 A.M.

The Sands Of Iwo Jima - A rugged Marine sergeant pulls out all the stops to turn the spoiled son of his old colonel into a combat soldier and ready his squad for war. John Wayne was never tougher. Starring John Wayne, John Agar, Forrest Tucker, and Adele Mara. (120 min, War Drama, 1949, TV-PG) AFN 3 A.M.

The Baby-Sitters Club - Seven teenaged girls find unexpected adventure when they form a Connecticut babysitting operation. Based on the wildly popular girls' books. Starring Bre Blair, Tricia Joe, Peter Horton, and Ellen Burstyn. (120 min, Juvenile Adventure, 1995, TV-G) AFN 10 P.M.

#### SATURDAY, MAR. 10

Soul Food - A trio of African-American sisters struggle to reconcile their family and personal relationships after their mother goes into the hospital. Starring Vanessa Williams, Vivica A. Fox, Irma P. Hall, and Michael Beach. (120 min, Drama, 1997, TV-PG) AFN 1:05 A.M.

Shipwrecked - A young Norwegian lad finds adventure aplenty - including pirates, shipwrecks, and a beautiful stowaway - when he signs on as cabin boy on a 19th century sailing ship. Starring Stian Smestad, Gabriel Byrne, Lousia Haigh, and Trond Munch. (120 min, Juvenile Adventure, 1991, TV-G) AFN 3:10 A.M.

#### SUNDAY, MAR. 11

The Adventures Of Pinnochio - Puppet maker Geppetto's fondest wish comes true when his latest creation is magically brought to life. A fine cast brings the classic fairytale to life in this live-action made-for-TV adaptation. Starring Martin Landau, Jonathan Taylor Thomas, Genvieve Bujold, and Udo Kier. (120 min, Juvenile Fantasy, 1996, TV-G) AFN 1 P.M.

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# GATEWAY AUDITORIUM

6 p.m. The Pledge (R) 8:30 p.m. Miss Congeniality (PG-13)

7 p.m. 102 Dalmatians (G) 9:30 p.m. The Pledge (R) Midnight: Antitrust (PG-13)

#### Saturday

3 p.m. Rugrats in Paris (G) 7 p.m. Sugar & Spice (PG-13) 9:30 p.m. Erin Brockovich (R) Midnight: Cast Away (PG-13)

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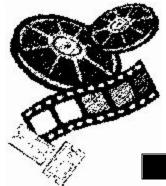
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G -General Audiences, All ages admitted  $PG\operatorname{-Parental}\operatorname{Guidance}\operatorname{Suggested},\operatorname{Some}$ material may not be suitable for children PG-13 - Parents Strongly Cautioned, Some material may be inappropriate for children under 13

R - Restricted, Under 17 requires accom panying parent or adult guardian

All MWR movies are free, all the time.

MWR's Movie Info Line-ext 2624 \*Movies are subject to change without notice.

### GATEWAY DRIVE IN

Friday 8:30 p.m. Cast Away (PG-13) Saturday 8:30 p.m. 102 Dalmatians (G) Sunday 8:30 p.m. Sugar & Spice (PG-13)

#### Erin Brockovich

(R: for extreme profanity & mild sexual situations) Drama; Julia Roberts & Albert Finney (131 min.) Atwice-divorced mother of three young children defies the odds by taking on and defeating a public utilities company after she stumbles upon a cover-up involving contaminated water that is causing devastating illness in a small desert community.

#### The Pledge (R: for strong violence & language)

Drama; Jack Nicholson & Aaron Eckhart (124

Honoring his promise to a mother, a retired Nevada detective becomes obsessed with finding the killer of the young daughter before he strikes again.

#### Cast Away (PG-13: for intense action and disturbing images) Adventure & Drama; Tom

Hanks & Helen Hunt (140 A FedEx troubleshooter must give up everything he once took for granted and learn to survive both physically and emotionally after his chartered flight crashes into the South Pacific and washes up on a small island.

#### Sugar & Spice (PG-13: for language and sexrelated humor) Comedy; Marley Shelton

& James Marsden (82

When a popular high school cheerleader finds herself pregnant with the star quarterback's baby, she turns to a life of crime to support herself. With the help of her five best

friends, she plans a series

of major bank heists.

#### Rugrats in Paris (G:

general audiences) Animated comedy: Voices of: Christine Cavanaugh & John Lithgow (85 min) Little Chuckie wants his single father to remarry so he can get a new mommy. When the father of his pal Tommy gets assigned to go to Paris on business, taking the whole Rugrats gang with

#### Antitrust (PG-13: for some violence and brief language)

Thriller; Ryan Phillippe & Tim Robbins (108 min.) When a young computer programmer takes a job with a big technology company, he quickly learns that high tech business is highly competitive. Once he realizes how high the stakes are, he is trapped in the deceptive world.

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1990 FORD FIESTA: Nice to look at, fun to drive. Radio-cassette, good tires, battery. A steal at \$1700. Call 85-7890.

1990 OPEL KADETT: 4 door, large trunk and new tires. Asking \$1000 O.B.O. Please call 620-173-327, after 6 p.m., ask for

1990 HONDA CIVIC: Keyless entry, alarm, Alpine CD player, new shocks, CV-joints, tune-up, ITV and insurance valid until 09/ 01. Very reliable. \$2300, negotiable. Call Ext. 2013 (work), or 4970 (home).

1984 FORD ESCORT: 4 door. runs good. New ITV and insurance. \$700 O.B.O. Cal AD3 Fleurant at 649-64-7989.

1998 FORD GALAXY MINIVAN: Euro. Specs., seats seven, well maintained, A/C, 5 speed, power everything, dual air bags, comfortable, reliable, versatile family transportation. \$9000 negotiable. Call Ext. 4906 or 667-

1993 RENAULT 4TL: Outside not pretty, but everything works well mechanically. Classic Rota beater. ITV valid until 12/01. \$600 O.B.O. Call Clyde or Tena at 956-

1989 CITROEN AX14: 4 door. hatchback, great condition. Recent tune-up. Great primary vehicle. ITV valid until Jan. 2002. \$1700 O.B.O. Call Clyde or Tena at 956-81-6261.

1988 VOLKSWAGEN GOLF 16V: Good condition, ITV valid until 02/02. Hatchback, new tires, electric windows, central locking, radio. \$2000. Call Ext. 2579 (Miguel), or 956-84-6147.

1992 RENAULT 19 CHAMADE

TS: A/C, radio/cassette, excellent condition ITV valid until 07/02 Available upon receipt of payment. \$4000. Call Danny Parks at Ext. 2950.

1989 BMW 520i: 4-DR, Dolphin Blue, 5-Speed Manual, ABS, A/C, P/S,P/L,Pwr. frnt. windows, Pwr. side mirrors, AM/FM radio cassette, Euro specs,Spanish taxes paid, ITV valid until 08/01. Well maintained and in excellent condition. Buyer pays for transfer fees and car insurance, \$4750. (firm) Call Roland @ 956309883 or Cell 676288858 or e-mail: rareyes1@terra.es.

1988 TOYOTA CAMRY: Excellent condition. Great family car, more than a Rota Beater. January tuneup. New tires in April. 2000. \$3500.00 H956-82-4315 or W956-82-3500.

1993 FORD FIESTA: Good. reliable transportation. Recent tune-up.\$2500.00H956-82-4315 or W956-82-3500.

**1985 FORD FIESTA**: Runs Great! \$900.00 O.B.O. Call 82-4197.

1987 VOLVO 340 DIESEL \$3000. Great long distance car. 4 door hatchback. Tax paid. ITV 02/ 02 Insurance 10/01 Call 965-81-

1991 VOLKSWAGEN PASSAT GL: 5-speed, 70,000 miles, US Specs, Spanish taxes paid, ITV good until Jan. 2002, AC/Heat, radio tane PW PL cruise tilt steering \$6,000. Call Ext. 4759.

1983 HARLEY DAVIDSON XI H1000 SPORTSTER: (Iron Head) Looks and Runs excellent. Many new parts, recently renovated. \$5500, Spanish taxes paid! Ext. 4633.

1997 SATURN SL2: 4 dr, 4 cyl,

int.excellent condition. Loaded w/ full power including pwr sunroof, CD player, PW, PL, Remote keyless entry, 42,000 miles. Just tuned up. New battery. Must sell. Asking \$8300 - \$1200 below book price. Call Grea. H: 649-103-549 W: 3933 or Ext. 3935

**1992 SEAT IBIZA 1200**:\$2,400. Call 956-873296 or 670-313866.

#### **EMPLOYMENT**

The Navy Exchange is always accepting applications for employment of U.S. dependents. Apply at NEX Admin. Office or call ext. 3177.

RECREATION AIDE Marina. apply at MWR, Bldg. 1. RECREATION AIDE Wood

Hobby shop, apply at MWR, MWR Emergency Hire Program

Instructor, call ext.2550. MWR Family Care Providers, call ext.1618.

**HRO** employment information www.rota.navy.mil/hro

COMPUTER STUDIES LECTURER: University of Maryland, full or part time. Apply at UMUC in building 52.

#### FOR SALE

HOUSEHOLD GOODS: Entertainment center, \$150. Cell phone with time, \$50. Dehumidifier, practically new, \$75. Receiver and LD/CD (not DVD) player, \$37. Call 956-81and lady walking. Auctioned for \$850, asking \$300, Call 956-85-7936 or 616-65-8701

DIGITAL 8 CAMCORDER: Sony DCR-TRV110 with 2.5" color I CD screen \$600 O B O Call HM3 Vale at Ext. 3475 or 676-71-2260.

ELISA CERAMIC FIGURINES: Just married couple, asking \$150, never used. Hindu man figure, \$50, Call 956-85-7936 or 616-65-8701

LLADRO: "Magic", clown and ballerina. Partially broken. Asking \$100. Call 956-85-7936 or 616-65-8701.

HOUSEHOLD GOODS: 21" TV and satellite dish, \$250. Contents of gas grill, \$40. Call Sheila or Shawn at Ext. 4163.

**ELECTRONICS**: Bose Lifestyle-3, paid \$850 1 ½ years ago, asking \$250.27" Schwinn, Asking \$50. Call Alex at 620-173-327 (after 6 p.m.).

BUNK BED: Oak bunk bed bedroom set. Great condition. \$800, negotiable. Call Christine at 956-85-3477.

FURNITURE: Sofa and love seat. excellent condition \$700 negotiable. Call 956-48-0250, ask for Bill.

EXERCISE FOUIPMENT: Tunturi stair climber, excellent condition. \$50. Call Ext. 4481 after 1800 or leave a message.

FURNITURE: Kitchen table, 4 chairs in fair condition \$50. Matching coffee table and two end tables, excellent condition \$50. Call Michelle at 4304 after 5pm.

CAR SEAT: \$15. Baby clothes unisex and girls birth—9 months. Call Ext. 4245.

HOUSEHOLD Rectangle Glass-top coffee table \$60, Microwave ovenwith microwave cart \$80 for both or \$40 separately, Wooden Rocking Chair \$40, Black CD Spinner 288 CD Capacity \$20, wooden banana holder \$3. Griddle/waffle iron in one \$20. Call Ext. 4759.

HOUSEHOLD GOODS: Fine Set for 6 \$45,

Dishes for 8. White with blue trim, set for 8 \$30. Wood Revolving Spice Rack, holds 16 spices \$15. Thrustmaster, Digital Millennium 3D Inceptor Joystick \$15. Learn Spanish 4 CD-ROMs Spanish 1-Spanish IV \$20. Call

ROUND KEROSENE HEATER: New wick. Plus 3, 6 gallon-16 oz. Containers. Great condition. \$90. Call Tony at 956-813537.

Ext. 4759.

KLIPSCH FLOOR STANDING SPEAKERS: 2ea sets, 5 months old. Paid \$399/set. Selling for \$625/OBO, Contact "Doc", (H) 5621 (W) 3117.

#### HOUSES/ **APARTMENTS**

For rent: Townhouse in El Tomillar (between El Paseo and the Casino). 4 bedrooms, 1 ½ baths, furnished kitchen with appliances, living room, porch, front and back yard with space for car. 90.000 pesetas/mo. Call 956-549216 (Spanish) or 956-877232 (English).

For rent: Townhouse in El Manantial, 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, furnished kitchen, living/dinning room. 200 meters from the beach. 70.000 pesetas/mo. Includes parking and community

fees. Call 956-841100.

For rent: 3 bedroom apartment on Avda, Diputación, Nicely furnished kitchen with all the Private parking. Owner asking 80.000 ptas., Call CENTURY 21 Agin 2000 at 956-846221.

For rent: Furnished townhouse perfect for a single. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, fireplace, air conditioning, American hot water heater, ceiling fans. Completely furnished. Just bring yourself. 80.000 ptas. Negotiable. Call CENTURY 21 Agin 2000 at 956-846221.

For rent: Large 3 bedroom townhouse in newer part of Rota. Has basement, parking, visiting roof. Excellent condition. Very new. 135.000 ptas. Call CENTURY 21 Agin 2000 at 956-846221

For rent: Costa Ballena – 10 minutes/10 Km. From the Rota Gate. Furnished/unfurnished townhouse: 2 bedrooms, 2 baths parking for 2 cars, fireplace. Next to the beach. Luxury resort with pool and vard, 100,000 ptas./mo egotiable, Call CENTURY 21 Agin 2000 at 956-846221.

For rent: Two floor penthouse apartment. 3 bedrooms, 140 sq. meters. 2 large balconies, very large and nicely furnished kitchen Enclosed garage. Owner asking 120.000 ptas. Call CENTURY 21 Agin 2000 at 956-846221.

Need a house? Lot's of houses to rent; we'll find what you want. No rental fees, no language barrier. We rent, sell and build houses. American management. Your satisfaction is our best publicity. 956-543755 or 610-753503. Call us anytime.

For rent: 3 bedroom single family home in the country. Great kitchen cabinets, large yard and enclosed

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For rent: Just built townhouse in a very nice, new area of Rota, 3, bedrooms, baths, new kitchen cabinets, parking and great neighborhood. 100.000 ptas./mo. negotiable Call CENTURY 21 Agin 2000 at 956-846221.

BABYSITTING: I have experience, transportation in the base or out in Rota. Call Maria at 956-81-2792 (home), or 659-84-

HOUSEKEEPER: 15 years experience with references, Call Maria at 956-81-2792 (home), or

Fax ad to: 956-82-1021

email ad to:

659-84-7918 (cell).

Need furniture restored. refinished, or repainted? Call José Manuel at 627-578083. Also, wall treatments, faux finishes etc.

INTENSIVE SPANISH COURSES: All levels - Trinity School. For information, call 956-871926.

#### **PETS**

DOBERMAN: 3 years old, free Call Sheila or Shawn at Ext. 4163.

FREE TO GOOD HOME: 13 month old female Malamute. Very big, very sweet dog. Great with kids and other animals. Hate to give her away, but I am PCSing

Paid Classified Ads Call: 956-542997 or

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Ads must be in the Thursday prior to desired publication and will run for one week only.

How to place a Classified Ad

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Paid classified ads for commercial and non-commerical goods and

4793 and leave a message.

#### **PRAYERS**

Remember the old adage: "Seven days without prayer makes one weak!" The important thing is to pray <u>daily</u> Yes, it's important to pray daily, but it's equally important to use prayers that suit you. The prayers I publish are just suggestions. Feel free to pick and choose or make up your own personal prayers. But pray! Our Lord frequently spent time in prayer. You and I should too, even if it is just for half a minute a day. Amen. Amen Jess López.

# POVs ready for pick-up

Call 956-81-1044/5934

Bewall, C. P. Broadus, J. D. Daniels, M. S. Holliday, R. E. Lynch, J. C.

Batten K W

Mathe, J. J. Myers, J. S. Olson J C Podeyn, E. H.

Rice, A. T. Slezak, S. S. Williams, C. H.

# **DRMO** Sale

A DRMO Cash and Carry Sale will be held Mar 16 from 9 a m to noon in building 186 This sale is open to Americans with TEI identification cards, and Spanish Nationals eligible to shop. There is no preview or screening. All items must be paid for in cash and removed by noon, the day of the sale. Furniture, refrigerators, washers, dryers, computer components, and other miscellaneous

# 725th

falls under the 721 Air Mobility Operations Group's chain of command must change their names as well, starting with the numbers.

"We have to change everything, from the hats, to the patches. It's a simple change from six to seven," said Senior Master Sgt. Stanley Nowaki, first sergeant 625 AMSS.

A "redesignation" ceremony is scheduled for March 14. Afterwards, all personnel attached to 625 AMSS will be required to wear their new 725 AMS patches

# Looking Back

Mar. 3, 1961 Rotando reported: The La Playa Players announce the opening of, "Suds in your Eye."

Mar. 3, 1971 El Rotando reported: Marine Barracks Rota began a 100mile club, members must run 100 miles in 90 days.

Mar. 6, 1981 Jack Tar reported: NMCB-4 celebrates the battalion's 30th birthday and the Seabees 39th anniversary at the Windjammer.

Mar. 8, 1991 Coastline reported: BM3 Allen Hritz and his wife FA Victoria Hritz fought a fishing boat fire from tugboat YTB-786 in the Bay of Cadiz.

Mar. 9, 2000 Coastline reported: Rota's Ferris moving company was named the best in the DoD, world-

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www.psd.rota.navy.mil

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# Tiburones go to Heidelberg

"We had so

much team

spirit!"

Elizabeth Chenevey Rota Swim Club

"Rota in lanes 1-5," the announcer said into the microphone.

As we, the swimmers got into the water for warm-ups, I could tell that everyone was nervous. The water was cold to the touch but once we started to swim it felt fine. It was a little hard to get used to the wall since ours is so much different. It got easier

after a while. But as we practiced our nervousness began to wear off.

Then the medlev relays started. Everyone was

screaming. We had so much team spirit! We won in the 8 and under category as well in the 9-10 category. In the 11-12 category we came in third, which is very good, since the competition in that category is very tough.

Then it was freestyle. backstroke, and IM (individual medley). At that time they awarded medals for free, back, and IM. After the medals we did breaststroke and butterfly. They also awarded

Then it was time for freestyle relays. In the 8 and under we came in first by a mile. Then in 9-10 we came in first also. Then in the 11-12 category we came in second, which is, like I said before, very good.

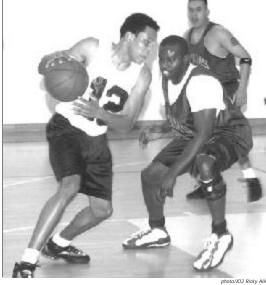
At the end they announced the points for each team. Weisbaden came in fifth, we came in fourth, Berlin with third, and

Stuttgart in second. First went to the home team of Heidelberg.

We all

had a good time. Pretty much all of us improved tremendously in our times. A lot of us came home with medals which were ranked 1-6 in individual events and 1-2 in the relays. We are all very proud of ourselves and our families are too.

Note: The swim team goes to Munich for the season end meet. Tiburones either qualified or have been selected to represent Rota on relay teams.



Lavern Neal eludes Ikechukwu Anyanwu in Monday night's B League tournament against NCTAMS. Air Ops whipped NCTAMS 42-35.

# MWR SPORTS RESULTS

В	League	Bas	ketball

Feb. 26	AIMD	52	MARINES	63
Feb. 27	MARINES		NAVSTA	FOREFEIT
Feb. 27	VQ-2	4 1	NSGA	35
Feb. 27	PSD	5 9	AIMD	53
	Standing	sasof	Feb. 28, 2001	

1. PSD (13-2)

2. MARINES (12-3)

3. AIMD (10-5)

4. NAVSTA (5-10) 5. NSGA (3-12) 6. VQ-2 (2-13)

#### SPORTS BRIEFS

The Costa De La Luz Motorcycle Club has meetings on the 1st and 3r Friday of every month in the Auto Hobby Shop at 7 p.m. For information contact Eric at ext.2904 or Steve at ext 2294 or 646-02-0315

Captain's Cup Golf Organazational meeting 2: 30 p.m. Mar. 15 at the MWR

St. Patrick's Day 5K Run March 16,

40K Cycling race March 24 at 9 a.m. at the Gym. Sign-ups are at the Gym.

Captain's Cup Soccer start forming vour teams now. Rosters are due March 12 with the season scheduled to begin March 26, Call ext. 1916 for more info

Free Golf Lessons at the MWR Golf Course, Tuesdays for the ladies, 11 a.m. until noon and Wed. & Fri. for every one, noon - 1 p.m. Call ext. 2260 for more info.

#### Mandato Madrid Marathon

The Mapoma Association 24th "Maraton Popular de Madrid," starts at 9:30 a.m. It is run on an urban course and the distance is 42,195 meters. Entry fee until 24th April will cost 5,000 ptas., from 25-28 April the price is 9.000. For more information call Community Relations at ext. 2813.

#### Rota Sailing Club

The Rota Sailing Club will meet Saturday, Mar. 10, at 10 a.m., at the Ma-

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# SPORTS

# Driving in Italy, soccer hooligan returns from Rome

had so many great trips over the last three years that a bad one was a statistical necessity. Rome was it.

First off, the taxi driving. I hesitate to describe it as appalling because the word appalling only implies an intermediate-to-extreme degree of shock. Their apparent disregard for human life is quite formidable. In fact, Roman cabbies should hand you a diaper before entering their taxi seeing as rules of skiing apply. how the chances that they will jeopardize your life are in the neighborhood of 100%.

If you ever find yourself driving in Rome, just remember to obey the rules of skiing. You are only responsible for the cars, buses, and bicycles that are in front of you. If a taxi swerves across four lanes of into thinking they are legitimate traffic to run down a pedestrian -

it is your responsibility to slam on the brakes or drive onto the sidewalk to avoid him.

On the positive side, you're absolutely never responsible for anything going on behind you. If you need to take a right from the farthest left lane - no problem. Miss that turn in bumper-to-bumper? Don't sweat it. Just throw it in reverse and don't even look in the rearview mirror. Like I said, the

Secondly, always remember that when it comes to vacations. nothing is ever so inconvenient that it can't become totally unbearable. Hotels will misplace reservations. Credit cards will get inexplicable denied. You'll get lost. Locals will hate you. Criminals will fool you cabbies, make you get a huge cash as long as he was in front of you - advance, get you in their car and

drive you to a secluded area and threaten you with a broken, jagged spatula and a snub-nose .37 with a pearl handle and mahogany trim. Believe me, these things happen to everyone.

Now right about now you are probably asking, "Russ, what does any of this have to do with sports?" Well friend, I haven't gotten to the coolest part of my trip to Rome. I'm talking about the soccer game. Or as they say in Italy, 'da matcha da futbola'.

Man, that was cool. My first Division One match ever. Roma vs. Lecce in Olympic Stadium. It was 70,000 rabid European football fans and one clueless American. If that doesn't sound like a recipe for disaster, well then, you've never seen Faces of Death.

Police in riot gear lined both

flares were thrown across barricades right into large masses of people. And I'm not talking about those tiny road flares that come in your car's emergency kit.

These were the kind of flares that signal ships. I saw a guy take one square in the face. It was like Raiders of the Lost

When Roma finally scored, pandemonium ensued. Total strangers hugged all around me and grown men jumped around like they had just won the Indiana Pick 5. And not wanting to exclude their visiting friends in the Lecce section, the Roman faithful all sides of the Lecce section. I sat in threw rocks and garbage at them.

**Sports** Talk

with Russ Gambrel



I had such a warm fuzzy By the second half, I found

myself screaming for blood. Even though I was witnessing a grueling 1-0 soccer match, I couldn't help but notice the glaring lack of lions and chariots. Right about that time I looked down and saw a half-eaten bucket of gelatto. As I picked it up and threw it, my transformation became complete. Barb & Dave's naïve mid-western boy was now a European soccer hooligan. See ya next week...

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